#### COSMETICS CASE

This non-provisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) based on Patent Application No. 2003-0074166 filed in Korea on October 23, 2003, the subject matter of which is herein incorporated by reference.

### BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

# 1. Field of the Invention

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The present invention relates to a cosmetics case for storing cosmetics in powder state such as foundation product, and more particularly, to a cosmetics case including a receptacle shape of body formed with thresholds on both sides of inner top portion of the body, a cover connected to top portion of the body having hook grooves corresponding to the thresholds to engage together and/or separate each other in only one direction and a sponge type cosmetic aids(=tool) coupled directly to the cover, whereby a user can hold a knob of the cover and conveniently apply make-up in a stable position.

## 2. Description of the Related Art

Conventionally, referring to Figs 4 and 5, a cosmetics case 1 for receiving cosmetics such as foundation used to basically manage facial skin includes a cylindrical body 10

having an inner partition 11, a cover 20 connected to the top portion of the body 10 and an additional sponge type cosmetic aids 23 carried above the partition 11, the partition 11 storing the cosmetics 15 such as the foundation at bottom portion thereof.

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Since the conventional cosmetics case 1 has the cover 20 and the cosmetic aids 23 individually separated, the user should firstly open the cover 20 and get the cosmetics 15 on the cosmetic aids 23 additionally provided inside the case body 10 to powder her face. She also needs to grip the cosmetic aids 23 by hands to often cause troubles of staining the hands with the cosmetics and making dirty parts of the cosmetics by touching with the hands.

In addition to, since the cover 20 connected to the top

15 portion of the body 10 is only in a loose-fitting status to

allow the convenient use of the cosmetics case but involves a

drawback of having no structural component for connecting the

body 10 and the cover 20 together to make the cover 20 to be

easily released from the body 10 thereby pouring down the

20 cosmetic aids 23 and/or the cosmetics contained therein if, for

example, the cosmetics case 1 comes down through carelessness.

Still, although another structure of cosmetics case was proposed, in which a body was connected with a cover by screws, it occurred an inconvenience in use because it required both hands to open the cover during the make-up.

### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

It is, therefore, an object of the present invention is to solve the above problems, in particular, proposes a cosmetics case having convenience of assembling and detaching a cover from the case and including a receptacle shape of body formed with thresholds on both sides of upper portion inside the body, a cover connected to top portion of the body having hook grooves corresponding to the thresholds to engage together and/or separate each other in only one direction and a sponge type cosmetic aids coupled directly to the cover, whereby a user can hold the cover and conveniently apply make-up in a stable position.

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### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The above object, features and advantages of the present invention will become more apparent to those skilled in the related art from the following detailed description for preferred embodiments taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawing, in which:

- Fig. 1 is an exploded perspective view of a cosmetics case according to the present invention;
- Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the cosmetics case 25 according to the present invention, showing it in an assembly

status;

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Fig. 3 is a sectional view of the cosmetics case according to the present invention, showing it in assembly status;

Fig. 4 is an exploded perspective view of a conventional cosmetics case; and

Fig. 5 is a sectional view of Fig.4.

### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

The present invention will be described in more detail be reference to the following embodiments which are presented for purpose of illustration and should not be construed to limit the scope of the invention thereto.

Figs. 1 to 3 represent a preferred embodiment of the present invention. It will be illustrated the same reference numerical symbols for structural components of the cosmetics case which are substantially identical to those represented in conventional cosmetics cases.

The cosmetics case 1 according to the present invention has an advantage to conveniently open/close the top portion of a body 10 with a cover 20, in which thresholds 12 are formed in two positions on both sides of the inner surrounding wall of the body 10 and two removable hook grooves 22 corresponding to the above thresholds 12 are formed in two positions on the outer surrounding wall of the cover 20, the hook grooves 22

being dimpled in only one direction to allow the thresholds 12 to be assembled to and released from the grooves 22 in the only direction.

The cover 20 has a fixing member 24 fitted inside a knob 21 by a fitting member 26 in order to secure the cosmetic aids 23 to the cover 20, and a sponge type flexible body 27 and a flexible cover 29 together fixed and connected to the cover 20 by a ring type holder 28, all of which are parts of the cosmetic aids 23.

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Such construction of the cosmetics case 1 according to the present invention has a benefit to easily and conveniently open/close the cover 20 by a simple connection between the thresholds 12 and the hook grooves 22 which are formed on the inner side of the body 10 and on the outer surrounding wall of the cover 20, respectively, and assembled together and released from each other to open and close the cover 20, whereby it can be used to paint the user's face.

Additionally, the cosmetic aids 23 is integrated with the cover 20 by the fixing member 24 and the holder 28 at bottom portion of the cover 20, whereby the user can open the cover 20 and hold the knob 21 of the cover 20 simultaneously then apply make-up when using the cosmetics case 1.

As described in detail above, the cosmetics case according to the present invention includes the body and the cover to be assembled with and disassembled from the cover by the thresholds

and the hook grooves which are formed on the inner side of the body and on the outer surrounding wall of the cover, respectively, to attain convenient opening and closing thereof when applying make-up. In addition to, since the cosmetic aids is directly coupled to the cover, the user can hold the cover and paint her face in a stable position. Still further, because the user holds the knob of the cover to powder her face, it can greatly reduce staining the cosmetic aids.

The invention being thus described, it will be obvious 10 that the same may be varied in many ways. Such variations are not to be regarded as a departure from the spirit and scope of the invention, and all such modifications as would be obvious to one skilled in the art are intended to be included within the scope of the following claims.

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